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Dear Examiner Harris:

Per your request regarding Serial No. 09/673,222, enclosed is a copy of the response that was sent to the Office via facsimile on 7/17/03. Please do not hesitate to call me at my direct Tel: 510-237-2554 if I may be of further assistance.

Best regards,

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## MESSAGE:

**Re: Ser. No. 09/673,222, Application of Vale, et al. (Atty Docker UCSD-04765)**

Dear Examiner Harris:

Per your telephone message today, enclosed is a copy of the "AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 3, 2002 OFFICE ACTION," which is identical to the document mailed to the Office on April 3, 2003, with the exception that the parenthetical status of Claim 44 has been amended on pages 27 and 43 to denote that it is "currently amended" rather than "original." Applicant believes that the enclosed is responsive to the Office Communication mailed June 18, 2003. However, please do not hesitate to call me at my direct Tel: 510-237-2554 if I can be of further assistance.

Best regards,  
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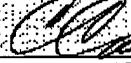
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Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2002, a response to which is due on or before March 3, 2003. A request and fee for an extension of time is enclosed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification are shown in Appendix I. Amendments to the claims are shown in Appendix II. A list of currently pending claims is shown in Appendix III.